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REMARKS

The present application was subjected to a Restriction Requirement by the Examiner in the Restriction Requirement mailed on August 10, 2004. This Restriction Requirement restricted the present application to 1) Species of Fig. 3; 2) Species of Fig. 4; 3) Species of Fig. 5; 4) Species of Fig. 6; 5) Species of Fig. 7; 6) Species of Fig. 8; 7) Species of Fig. 9; and 8) Species of Fig. 10. Applicant elected Species 1 of Fig. 3 and elected claims 1 – 6 and 32 in a previous response. The Examiner stated that these claims were more properly disclosed in non-elected embodiment of Fig. 5. Applicant therefore elects claims 1 – 6, 12 – 13, 26, 30 – 32, and 34 of species 3 as related to Figure 5. Claims 7 – 11, 14 – 25, 27 – 29, 33, and 35 – 44 are hereby withdrawn.

Applicant believes claims 1 and 12 to be generic to one or more of claims 7 - 11, 14 - 25, 27 - 29, 33, and 35 - 44. Applicant notes that, should a generic claim be allowed, Applicant is entitled to consideration of claims to the other species of withdrawn claims 7 - 11, 14 - 25, 27 - 29, 33, and 35 - 44, which are either written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representative at (612) 312-2200 if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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